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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Neeper, M. P. et al.
Serial No.:	09/642,405 - Case No.: 20413Y
Filed:	August 21, 2000
For:	SYNTHETIC HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS GENES

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Examiner:
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 9, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response set to expire December 9, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request the following amendments be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 5 of this paper.